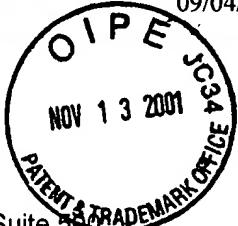




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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$710 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$746.
  - \$666 for 37 total claims over 20.
  - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$1586: \$1,620.00

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Applicant: Denis BABIN

Title: VALVE GATE ASSEMBLY FOR  
INJECTION MOLDING

Appl. No.: 09/944,109

Filing Date: 09/04/2001

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 1722

**TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS  
OF PATENT APPLICATION**

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Attn: BOX MISSING PARTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on October 5, 2001, in the above-identified application, transmitted herewith are the missing parts needed to complete the filing of the subject patent application.

Enclosed are:

- Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages)
- Return Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO/SB/08A and references (20)
- Claim for Convention Priority, together with a certified copy of Canadian Application No. 2,317,779

The filing fee is calculated below:

|   | Claims<br>as Filed | Included in<br>Basic Fee | Extra<br>Claims | Rate              | Fee<br>Totals         |
|---|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Basic Fee   |                    |                          |                 | \$740.00          | \$740.00              |
| Total Claims:   | 57                 | - 20                     | = 37            | x \$18.00         | = \$666.00            |
| Independents:   | 4                  | - 3                      | = 1             | x \$84.00         | = \$84.00             |
| If any Multiple Dependent Claim(s) present:   |                    |                          |                 | + \$280.00        | = \$0.00              |
| Surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e) for late filing of Executed Declaration and late payment of filing fee |                    |                          |                 | + \$130.00        | = \$130.00            |
|   |                    |                          |                 | SUBTOTAL:         | = \$1620.00           |
| [ ] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):  |                    |                          |                 |                   | = \$0.00              |
|   |                    |                          |                 | TOTAL FILING FEE: | = \$1,620.00          |
| Difference to pay:  |                    |                          |                 | TOTAL FEE         | = \$1,620.00          |
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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